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LETTER ACCOMPANYING AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE
(37 C.F.R. § 1.312)

1. Please make the amendments shown in the attached papers in this application in the

- ☐ abstract.
- ☐ specification.
- ☒ drawings.
- ☐ claims.

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NOTE: Any increase in fees that may be required by amendments to the claims must be attended to in full in the attached papers or by general authorization to pay fees under 37 C.F.R. § 16, otherwise, the amendment will not be considered by the Examiner. MPEP § 714.16(c), 7th ed.

NOTE: The above address is that recommended in the Notice of November 4, 1986 (1072 O.G. 27-70 at page 35).

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2. Type of amendment:

- ☒ Correction of formal matters

As shown in the remarks of the attached paper, these (1) are needed for proper disclosure or protection of the invention and (2) require no substantial amount of additional work on the part of the PTO.

NOTE: No showing as to why the amendments to correct formal matters was not earlier presented need be made, unless the issue fee was already paid.

- ☐ Other (affects the disclosure, the scope of any claim or adds a claim) (M.P.E.P. § 714.16, 7th Edition):

As shown in the remarks in the attached supplemental page(s), there is stated the reason (1) why the amendment is needed, (2) why the proposed amended or new claims require no additional search or examination, (3) why the claims are patentable, and (4) why they were not earlier presented.

3. The issue fee:

- ☐ has not been paid.
☒ is paid separately herewith.
☐ was paid on _____

NOTE: Any amendment after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition including the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) and a showing of good and sufficient reasons why the amendment is necessary and was not earlier presented. 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(b).

4. Petition, fee, and good and sufficient reason:

(complete if applicable)

- (a) ☐ Because the issue fee has been paid, the applicant hereby petitions for entry of the attached amendments. (37 C.F.R. § 1.312(b)).
- (b) Petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(ii)) of \$130.00 is paid by
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- (c) ☐ In the remarks, in the attached supplemental page(s), is a showing, as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(b), for amendments filed after the date the issue fee is paid, of good and sufficient reasons why the amendments are necessary and were not earlier presented.

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**ADDED PAGE
FOR LETTER ACCOMPANYING AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE**

Subject to the approval of the Examiner in this case, please amend Figure 4 of the Drawings as shown on the attached.

The amendment to Figure 4 is necessary in order to conform the Drawings to the Specification in this case. The specification at page 13 of the published application describes the arcuate electrode 62 as follows:

an arcuate electrode 62 having formed in its curved surface 64 a complimentary groove 66, the cross-section of which is similar to the triangular section of the workpiece shown in Figure 1. . .

As presently shown on the drawings, groove 66 is rectangular in cross-section, not triangular.

Included herewith is a substitute Drawing sheet showing groove 66 with a triangular cross-section.

No other changes are made to the Drawings.

It is believed that this amendment is needed for proper disclosure of the invention, and should require no substantial amount of additional work on the part of the Patent Office.